

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently amended): A golf practice device for assisting in the development of a correct golf swing comprising: an elevated path guidance means for establishing a linear path limit under which the correct golf swing can arc while passing through a stationary ball location; and a support means for elevating the elevated path guidance means above the ground; wherein the path guidance means is a cylindrical assembly elevated substantially horizontally and disposed in aligned relation to a golf target, the cylindrical assembly having a first end reversibly and releaseably engaged to the support means by a cradle-interface releasable engagement means wherein the cylindrical assembly may extend away from the golf target in a first engagement position ~~or~~ and extend towards the golf target in a reversed engagement position, the cylindrical assembly adapted to disengage from the releasable engagement means under upon impact with a swinging golf club ~~from the cradle-interface~~.

2. (original): The device of claim 1 wherein the cylindrical assembly is constructed of low density polyethylene foam.

3. (currently amended): The device of claim 1 wherein the ~~cradle-interface~~ releasable engagement means is engaged by a mechanical interference fit.

4. (currently amended): The device of claim 1 wherein the ~~cradle-interface~~ releasable engagement means is engaged by a magnetic coupling.

5. (currently amended): The device of claim 1 wherein the ~~cradle-interface~~ releasable engagement means is engaged by a hook and loop fastener.

6. (currently amended): The device of claim 1 wherein the support means comprises a horizontal extension elevating the ~~cradle-interface~~ releasable engagement means in overhead relation to the stationary ball location on a first end and an L-joint on the second end, a vertical extension engaging the L-joint on its upper end and a base on its lower end.

7. (previously amended) The device of claim 6 wherein the base comprises a pair of horizontal support members in a V-shaped configuration extending substantially in opposite direction from the horizontal extension, the support members secured to the lower end of the vertical extension.

8. (original): The device of claim 7 further comprising weights on the ends of each horizontal support member distal to the lower end of the vertical extension.

9. (currently amended): The device of claim 1 wherein the cylindrical assembly is reversibly attached by the ~~eradle interface~~ releasable engagement means to reorient towards the golf target wherein lower handicap and tour players are encouraged to swing a club back to the inside on the follow through of a golf swing.

10. (previously amended) The device of claim 1 wherein the support means comprises a plurality of disengageable members and an elastomeric assembly guide cord maintaining each of the disengageable members coincident to each other in taut relation during a state of disassembly.

11. (original): The device of claim 10 wherein the assembly guide cord is elastomeric.

12. (original): The device of claim 10 wherein the assembly guide cord is threadedly received through each of the disengageable members.

13. (currently amended): A golf practice device for assisting in the development of a correct golf swing comprising: an elevated path guidance means for establishing a linear path limit under which the correct golf swing can arc while passing through a stationary ball location; and a support means for elevating the elevated path guidance means above the ground; wherein the path guidance means is a cylindrical assembly constructed of low density polyethylene foam elevated substantially horizontally and disposed in aligned relation to a golf target, the cylindrical assembly having a first end reversibly engaged by mechanical interference fit to the support means by a ~~eradle interface~~ releasable engagement means wherein the cylindrical

assembly may extend away from the golf target in a first engagement position or extend towards the golf target in a reversed engagement position, the cylindrical assembly adapted to disengage from the cradle interface under upon impact with from a swinging golf club from the cradle interface, the support means further comprises a horizontal extension elevating the cradle interface in overhead relation to the stationary ball location on a first end and an L-joint on the second end, a vertical extension engaging the L-joint on its upper end and a base on its lower end, the base having a pair of horizontal support members in a V-shaped configuration extending substantially in opposite direction from the horizontal extension, the support members secured to the lower end of the vertical extension, weights on the ends of each horizontal support member distal to the lower end of the vertical extension counterbalance the cylindrical assembly elevated over the stationary ball location.